

In regards to docket # 03-187, I am requesting that the FCC:

- begin a systematic review of communication tower and bird mortality issues;
- institute a research program, funded by the communications industry, to identify tower placement, design and lighting conditions that result in bird mortality;
- undertake environmental reviews of all existing towers to assess their placement and design with regard to migratory bird impacts;
- require that all proposed towers be subjected to rigorous environmental reviews;
- and implement immediate protections based on existing knowledge, such as the voluntary tower siting and placement guidelines developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Sincerely,
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